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SUBJECT: Minutes of New York Meeting of Policy and Management Committees on Wednesday Morning, 8 April 1953.

1. DOLKNKO

Thad a long conversation with Dolenko, head of the Ukrainian Agrarian Party, now in the United States. Dolenko reported that he had made a tour of his empire in the Middle West and considers his trip extremely successful. Dolenko wants to publish the philosophy of his Party in the Ukrainian press. ZA SYCHOLD, which was contacted, refused to publish Dolenko's statutes. He made a strong case to about bringing Kotorovich to the United States for the meeting of his Party now scheduled for 25 April.

2. KOTOROVICH

Bob Kelley reported to the Committees that both CIA and State were opposed to bringing Motorovich to the United States because CE says that he is in touch with suspected Soviet agents. In the meanwhile, State Department wired Munich on the status of visas for Burovets and Dubrovsky. New York decided to send a similar cable to Swift.

3. BOGATIRCHUK

It was decided to continue Bogatirchuk's subsidy on a monthto-month basis at the rate of \$2,500 monthly. Bogatirchuk indicated that he will be ready to go to Munich on or about 20 April where a merger between his group and the Gulai faction will be attempted.

4. CATHOLIC OPPOSITION

Henry Poor expressed concern that much of our difficulty with the Ukrainian Wationalists was based on the unfriendly attitude of the Catholic hierarchy in this country toward the American Committee. He suggested that the Committee through Admiral Stevens work out a modus vivendi with high level Catholics, primarily Cardinals Spellman and Stritch. He likened Catholic opposition to that experienced from British sources until recently.

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The Washington representatives reported that the State Department had wired its Madrid Embassy for a direct yes or no answer regarding the dispatch of Admiral Wentz for negotiations with the Spanish Government re a transmitter site for the American Committee. The Committee wants a definite answer whether in the opinion of the State Department such negotiations would be prejudicial to the Government's negotiations for bases.

It was reported that the Department has signed off on negotiations with France. Admiral Stevens wants to send Dewey to France to discuss questions of wave lengths, availability of physical sites, and the like. No definite decision was made.

6. RADIO

Admiral Stevens reported that he was very much encouraged with the New York radio production shop since the return of Boris Shub. Shub is organizing the New York group on a panel basis and tapping the best brains and talent among recent emigres.

It was decided however that in the long run, the New York production shop should be placed under the supervision of someone other than Shub, whose personal and political antipathies with many members of the emigration, make it extremely difficult to gather all the better equipped emigres that could contribute to the radio program.

7. KORIAKOV

The Admiral briefed members of both Committees on his security discussions with Mr. Bannerman of IMS. He asked for ideas on divorcing the New York radio production shop from the American Committee proper, placing the production shop under separate cover and keeping its members off the American Committee's payroll. Ideas were advanced, but no decision was made.

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